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## SPRING TERM OF COURT IN SESSION

Opened Yesterday Morning With Judge Gary on the Bench—Charge to Grand Jury—Number of Minor Cases—Sistare Case Being Tried This Afternoon.

The March term of the circuit court for this county convened Monday at 10 o'clock, with Judge Frank B. Gary presiding. Solicitor J. K. Henry and Court Stenographer Harry McCaw were on hand.

This is the first time Judge Gary has presided in this county, having been recently elected to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Klugh, deceased. But before his election he had presided many times as special judge. He has also had much legislative experience, having served several terms in the lower house from Abbeville county, being at one time speaker of the house. He has also been United States senator.

Judge Gary's charge to the grand jury was business-like and to the point. He said he had no doubt but that a part of the grand jury at least had been instructed by his predecessors as to their duties but as these were important it would not be amiss to hear of these duties again. He stressed the fact that the affairs of the county, its officers, finances, roads and public buildings were in charge of the grand jury and if there was anything wrong with any of these it was primarily the fault of the grand jury. The nature and effect of the oath taken by them was commented upon. If any member of the jury knew of his own personal knowledge and through information derived from others of any violations of law, it was the sworn duty of such juror to make it known. That the way to vindicate the law and protect society was to punish crime.

He advised the frequent examination, by experts if necessary, of the books of the various county officers. That no honest official would object to this, but should gladly seek such examination, that no official, as a usual thing, started out to do wrong, but usually went wrong by being careless.

His Honor told the jury that the three most potent causes of crime were blind tiger's so-called liquor, pistols and ignorance and that it was the duty of the grand juries of the different counties to take such action as would correct these evils. The rot-gut blind tiger stuff should not be dignified with the name of liquor. That you would usually find a man with such stuff in him carrying a cheap kind of pistol ready to deal out death and destruction in his path.

The third potent influence, as His Honor states, is ignorance. An intelligent, educated citizenship will see to it that the laws are enforced, but if they are ignorant and have low ideals, crime will be the order of the day. The judge said that he would be glad to have the grand jury make such recommendations along these lines as it thought proper.

A number of true bills for minor offenses have been found by the grand jury and one for murder against J. Haskell Sistare.

The following cases have been tried:

State vs. Joe and Mary Moore for assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapon. Not guilty as to Joe and guilty of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature as to Mary. Sentence \$100 fine or imprisonment for five months.

State vs. Charles Ross, abandonment of wife. Not guilty. Isom McDonald, obtaining goods by false pretense. Pleading guilty. Sentence seven months' imprisonment.

James Hinson, larceny of bi-

cycle. Pleads guilty. Sentence, \$1 fine and imprisonment one year.

Leroy McManus, house breaking and larceny. Pleads guilty. Sentence six months' imprisonment.

George Sweatt, burglary and larceny. Pleads guilty of larceny. Sentence, imprisonment five months.

A sealed verdict was brought in in the case of the State vs. Amos Wright for disposing of property under lien.

State vs. Harley Funderburk, disposing of property under lien. Guilty. Sentence to pay a fine of \$175, or be imprisoned for six months or labor upon public works of county for a like period.

The case of State vs. Haskell Sistare, for murder, was begun at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The case of the State vs. George Ellis for murder will be tried tomorrow.

The court of general sessions will likely complete its work tomorrow and adjourn.

## BLIND SINGER'S NERVE PREVENTS HOLOCAUST

Coolness of Unfortunate Averts Panic in Crowded Theater in Worcester, Mass.

Worcester, Mass., March 9.—The coolness of Edward I. Boyle, a blind singer, in keeping on with his song while fire spread rapidly in the balcony of a local theater last night, prevented a panic among the 500 spectators, all of whom filed out to safety. When the last of the audience reached the door Joseph L. Rogers, the pianist, leaped on the stage and led the blind man out through a rear door.

Harry W. Lynch, son of the proprietor of the theater, first saw the flames running along the lower part of the balcony where electric wires had become crossed. Stepping to the side of Boyle, who was singing an illustrated song with all lights turned down, Lynch quietly announced that a small blaze had been discovered. He requested the audience to file out promptly but without confusion.

There was a quick shuffling of feet and several persons had broken into a run when Boyle signalled to Rogers at the piano to "start something." Rogers struck at once into a popular air and as Boyle's voice rang out distinctly, without a quiver, all signs of a panic vanished. In the dark the singer and the pianist kept on with the song.

## ANOTHER SOUTH CAROLINIAN LANDS

James M. Baker Chosen Secretary of U. S. Senate—Nominated Over Seven Opponents.

Washington, March 8.—South Carolina is scoring heavily in the first days of the Wilson administration. Yesterday the President, on the advice of Postmaster General Burleson, decided to nominate Daniel C. Roper, formerly of Marion, S. C., to be first assistant postmaster general, and today the Democratic caucus of the senate chose James M. Baker, of Lowndesville, S. C., to fill the important position of secretary of the senate.

Mr. Baker had the active support of Senator B. R. Tillman, who presented his name to the caucus, and also of Senator E. D. Smith.

James M. Baker was born at Lowndesville in 1861, and has always retained his legal residence there. He was educated academically at Wofford College and studied law in New York city. In 1885 he was appointed official stenographer for the fifth judicial circuit, but declined. Eight years later he was elected assistant librarian of the United States senate and has served in that position with acknowledged efficiency ever since.

Still Decapitating.

Columbia Special to Charlotte Observer, March 10: The heads of 26 notaries public were today cut off by the governor, the notices of revocation of commissions being recorded in the secretary of state's office.

## WOULD PUT CAPITAL UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Governor Blease Says He Will Do So if His Negro Chauffeur is Persecuted Further by City Authorities.

Columbia Special to Charlotte Observer, March 10: Chief of Police Cathcart this afternoon ordered served upon Harrison Neeley, Governor Blease's negro chauffeur, a summons to appear in police court tomorrow morning to answer to the second charge against him of exceeding the automobile speed limit as set down in city ordinance.

The first charge was preferred against the negro Saturday and immediately after the negro was convicted the governor issued a pardon for him. Saturday night, it is charged, the negro was seen by officers driving up and down Main street at a fast speed and today the summons was issued for his appearance in court to answer for his second offense.

It is said the governor was riding in the car Saturday night.

When the chauffeur was fined Saturday the governor's private secretary, Mr. John K. Aull, paid the fine. The governor was quoted in The Columbia Record as saying that if the fine was not remitted, he would pardon every person convicted in the police court and would sue the city for the recovery of the fine.

The police authorities have asked City Attorney Edmunds for an opinion as to whether the governor's pardon of his chauffeur, in that it is of a person convicted in a municipal court, is constitutional and Mr. Edmunds has stated that he will give the opinion in a few days.

"If the Columbia police authorities do not discontinue persecuting my negro chauffeur because they are politically unfriendly to me, I will take over the police force and institute a system of metropolitan police and declare the city under martial law."

This statement was made by Governor Blease this afternoon. Some seven or eight witnesses will appear in court tomorrow morning when the governor's driver is arraigned on the second charge. The governor will probably be a witness, as he was riding in the car when the officers saw the speeding automobile Saturday night.

The governor further stated today:

"I would not violate one of the ordinances of the city of Columbia, nor would I allow my negro chauffeur to do so, if he is guilty of an infraction of the city ordinances, he should be punished."

The governor gave as his authority for martial law if he so desired, a special act passed by the general assembly allowing the governor to take over the police force of a city.

## Doesn't Want to Go to Gettysburg Again.

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.—"I was at Gettysburg 50 years ago and spared to get back to North Carolina, thank God, and I don't want the United States government to pay my expenses back," shouted Senator Watkins, eldest member of the general assembly, yesterday when he voted against the proposition to memorialize Congress to pay North Carolina Confederate veterans' fare to the reunion at the battleground this year.

## Noted Sculptor Dies.

Cornish, N. H., March 9.—Louis Saint Gaudens, a sculptor known from his own original work and as an assistant of his brother, the late Augustus Saint Gaudens, died here yesterday of pneumonia. He was born 59 years ago in New York. One of his last best known works was the design of the arch at the new railroad station in Washington.

## HOOKWORM WAR COMES TO CLOSE

Campaign Against the Disease Closed in Lancaster County Last Saturday.

The campaign against hookworm in Lancaster county conducted by Dr. F. D. Rodgers, closed Saturday, March 8th.

During the campaign 3,516 persons applied for examination; of this number 3,127 were examined microscopically, 767 of the latter being found to have hookworm.

Fourteen hundred and eighty-one were between the ages of 6 and 18 years. Of this number 467 were found to be infected. The percentage of infection is based upon the examination of persons between these ages, therefore the percentage for Lancaster county is 35 1/2.

Six hundred and forty-four persons were given one or more treatments; 101 took one treatment; 74 two treatments; 65 three treatments; 404 four treatments, and 10 five treatments. Total number of doses given 2,110.

A number of persons examined and found to have hookworm did not apply for treatment. The oldest person infected was aged 90 years and the youngest one year.

Twenty-two cases of dwarf tapeworm were found; also 21 cases of roundworm; 7 cases of pin worm and one case of stonyloid infection.

The actual dispensary days were 39.

Dr. Rodgers spent eight busy weeks in this county. The above figures give an idea of the amount of work done. All treatment was given free of charge. The campaign was conducted under the auspices of the Rockefeller commission and the South Carolina board of health, with the co-operation of the county commissioners.

## TO CHECK ADVANCE.

Envey Bey Has 20,000 Troops in Town of San Stefano.

London, March 10.—Constantinople dispatch to The Post says that Envey Bey is at San Stefano with 20,000 troops to check the possible advance on that city of the Tchatalja forces whose loyalty to the government is doubtful. Violent snow storms still hinder military operations.

The Greek losses in the capture of Janina, according to a dispatch to The Daily Telegraph, are estimated at 1,800. The Epirus campaign now ended has cost the Greeks 15,000 men killed and wounded.

In an interview Essad Pasha, who commanded the Turkish forces at Janina, said that he had resisted until he considered further resistance madness. He had little ammunition left. His losses during the four months of the siege numbered 7,500.

## FLOYD ALLEN AND HIS SON, CLAUDE, MUST DIE

Governor Mann Refuses to Commute the Sentences of the Two Carroll County Outlaws.

Richmond, Va., March 8.—Floyd Allen, leader of the outlaw band in Carroll county, and his son, Claude Swanson Allen, will be executed in the state penitentiary on March 28 for their part in the Hillsville court murder on March 14, 1912. Governor Mann having refused to commute the sentence to life imprisonment. The prisoners were to have died yesterday, although the governor granted a respite of three weeks. The respite was accepted by the Allen as an indication that the governor would extend mercy. The rejection of the petition, however, means that the case is officially closed, as there is no way by which it can be again opened.

## FIGHTING GOES ON IN OLD MEXICO

Never Ending Revolutions Seem to Be the Order of the Day—Opposition to Huerta.

Douglas, Ariz., March 10.—State troops and recruits of Sonora, rallying to the call of the state government to oust all of Huerta's federal soldiers from the border country yesterday scored their first victory in wresting Nacozari, an important mining town below this point, from the federal garrison. The defeated federals not killed or captured arrived early today on a special train at Agua Prieta, opposite Douglas, their commander mortally wounded and 20 others hurt.

From various points along the Arizona border comes reports of movements of other state troops against border and inland towns held by small federal garrisons. The mining community at El Tigre, 40 miles southeast of Douglas, last night fell into the hands of 150 state troops. The 100 federals of the garrison, fleeing toward the border, were overtaken by the Constitutionalists, who captured their arms, ammunition and artillery after a sharp skirmish.

Reliable reports give the Constitutionalists wounded at Nacozari as only nine.

Most of the fighting was done at long range. The rebels, having no artillery, kept under cover to avoid the fire of two machine guns used by the federal garrison.

## OPPOSING FORCES CLASH IN NORTH

Federals and Carranzistas Battle in Coahuila—More Than Fifty Killed.

Mexico City, March 9.—The first serious clash between federals and Carranzistas was reported yesterday to have occurred at Realta, Coahuila, about midway between Monterey and Contolova. The engagement lasted four hours, the rebels offering stubborn resistance. The losses as reported from government sources included 26 federals killed and 11 wounded and 33 rebels killed. The rebel forces have fallen back on Bajano, 30 miles to the north.

Another engagement is looked for soon, as the federals are advancing and endeavoring to follow up their advantage. Only the most meager details of the battle have been received.

Another column of federals is advancing from the west, having marched from Rincon, on the Northern Mexican railroad. These troops came to Rincon by train from Escalon, Chihuahua.

To prevent clashes between rebels and the American troops, the Mexican war department proposes to send 6,000 federals to occupy the border town of Sonora. To this end it is probable that the government will ask the administration at Washington to permit the passage through American territory.

A plan is on foot for the reorganization of the army, increasing its strength to 100,000 and it is proposed to place an order in France for 150 cannon.

## CLINKSCALES CANDIDATE.

Member of Wofford Faculty is Positively in Race for Governor Without "Ifs and Ands."

Spartanburg Special to Columbia State, March 8: "Yes, I am in the race for governor of South Carolina, without any ifs and ands about it." This remark was made by John G. Clinkscales of the Wofford College faculty this afternoon. A day or so ago it was announced through an intimate friend of Mr. Clinkscales that he would be a candidate unless some of the other candidates for the high office came out "positively and aggressively" for compulsory education. The statement from Mr. Clinkscales himself today removes any doubt as to his being in the race. He is a candidate.

## BIG MASS-MEETING CRITICISES POLICE

Number of Telegrams From Leaders Protesting Against Monday's Disorder Are Cheered.

Washington, March 9.—Several hundred men and women gathered here this afternoon in a mass-meeting of protest against the disturbance of the suffrage parade on Pennsylvania avenue last Monday and the conduct of the police along the line of march. Maj. Richard Sylvester, superintendent of police, and his force were criticised for "mismanagement and incompetency," and those who interfered with the procession were called "brutal loafers."

The speakers were Senators Clapp of Minnesota, Shafroth and Thomas of Colorado and Works of California, Louis D. Brandeis, "Corporal" James Tanner and Charles Edward Russell. The greater part of the day's speech making was devoted to arguments in favor of suffrage for women and the reference to last Monday's trouble were largely incidental. Senator Clapp assured the audience that woman suffrage throughout the country was a matter of but a few years.

## FIGHT AGAINST PROGRESS.

"Last Monday's spectacle," he said, "was a sad one. It is a sad thought that pure womanhood cannot march along the streets of the capital of a free nation without insult. The fact that brutal depraved manhood could come to insult American women is evidence of the straits to which the evil political situation in this country has come in its fight against progress. I believe last Monday's episode will bring the country to the realization that you cannot league yourself with wrong against progress and escape the responsibility for the acts of the sub-stratum of supporters of wrong."

Senator Thomas told the audience that the disorder of Monday marked a new point of progress in the suffrage campaign.

"The movement," he said, "has passed through the stages of ridicule and argument and has now reached the point where its opponents resort to physical opposition. From this point it is but a short distance to victory and the incident of last Monday will soon be forgotten in the blaze of glory that will attend the final extension of suffrage to women in every state in the Union."

The audience received the arguments of the speakers with enthusiasm and a number of telegrams from suffrage leaders all over the country protesting against Monday's disorder were cheered.

## LEGARE'S SUCCESSOR.

Primary Ordered For South Carolina First Congressional District.

Columbia special to Charlotte Observer, 7th: The state Democratic executive committee today ordered a primary to be held in the first congressional district, to select the Democratic nominee for Congress for the general election, which is to take place on April 29. The first primary was ordered for April 1, the second for April 15 and the third, if necessary, for April 22. Candidates are assessed \$500 each, there being six already announced. The candidates requested the primary, the date set originally by the executive committee having been nullified by the action of the governor in ordering the general election one month earlier.

The election is for the purpose of selecting a successor to the late George S. Legare. The district is composed of the counties of Charleston, Colleton, Clarendon, Berkeley and Dorchester.